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Response Due: 10th March 2025

Date: 10th March 2025

Dear Sir/Madam

With reference to your request for information received on 10th February 2025, I can confirm in accordance with Section 1 (1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 that we do hold the information you have requested. A response to each part of your request is provided below.

In your request you asked:

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, please can you provide me with information on tooth decay.

1. The number of admissions to your NHS Trust attributed to issues related to tooth decay in each of the following calendar years:

- a. 2019 = 937.
- b. 2020 = 399.
- c. 2021 = 566.
- d. 2022 = 873.
- e. 2023 = 668.
- f. 2024 = 704.

2. The number of admissions to your NHS Trust of someone aged under the age of 18 attributed to issues related to tooth decay in each of the following calendar years:

- a. 2019 = 541.
- b. 2020 = 158.
- c. 2021 = 161.
- d. 2022 = 590.
- e. 2023 = 353.
- f. 2024 = 326.

3. The number of A&E attendances to your NHS trust attributed to issues related to tooth decay in each of the following calendar years:

- a. 2019 = 36.
- b. 2020 = 49.
- c. 2021 = 36
- d. 2022 = 35.
- e. 2023 = 44.
- f. 2024 = 34.

4. The number of A&E attendances to your NHS trust of someone aged under the age of 18 attributed to issues related to tooth decay in each of the following calendar years:

- a. 2019 = 5.
- b. 2020 = 9.
- c. 2021 = 6.
- d. 2022 = 9.
- e. 2023 = 8.
- f. 2024 = 6.

*The Trust has provided the figures as requested in the FOI, and for further clarification the majority of these admissions come from Day case procedures/treatments'

If you are not entirely satisfied with this response, please do not hesitate to contact the Information Governance Department via the email address provided. If we do not hear from you within 40 days, we will assume that we have been able to accommodate your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Yours sincerely,



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If you are unhappy with the service you have received in relation to your request and wish to make a complaint or request a review of our decision, you should write to: Information Governance Department, Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh NHS Foundation Trust, Suite 9, Buckingham Row, Brick Kiln Lane, Wigan, WN1 1XX.

If you are not content with the outcome of your complaint, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision at:

The Information Commissioner's Office
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